46, 45, 49, 47, 47, 48, 49, 46, 45, almost like a clock ticking. In 1895 it was 66, 58, 61, 66, 63, 85, 52, 50, 51, 51, 48, 50, 48, 48, 47. Now turn to 1896, with percentages of 33, 30, 26, 31, 31, 84, 36, 37, 37, 37, 40, 39, 40, 38, 40, closing at 38 per cent. The highest was 40 per cent., the lowest 26 per cent. What is to be said? The ultimate verdict will greatly depend upon the running at Morris Park. Up to the opening of the Graveseud meeting the average of favorites winning for the year was a little higher than usual. It stood in previous years at from 42 to 43 per cent., and this year the 50 per cent, at the Morris Park spring meeting, the 50 per cent, at the Gravesend spring meeting, the 45 per cent, at Sheepshead, the 38 per cent. at Brighton, and the 46 per cent, at the Sheepshead fall meeting had made an average of 40 per cent, for the year up to the opening at Gravesend. This was high, but not sufficiently so to warrant a slump such as occurred, and which extended not only to the winning favorites, but, still worse, to those that ran second. The following analysis of the running of the favorites should interest the average punter. Of first favorites winning there were 41 in

103 races; of those that ran second with 1-2 or better for the place there were 7; and of those that ran second with worse than 1-2 against them there were 9. Of second favorities winning there were 27, of those running second there were 28, and on Sept. 6 there were actually seven consecutive races in which only one second favorite was as good as second, and that on a day when in seven races only two first favorites won, one of which wins was the Roundsman-Souffle dead heat. A compensating circumstance was the small number of favorites at unplayable odds; Sept. 17, Buckwa at 1-3, and Oct. 1. Buckwa at 1-5. This is an extraordinarily low average of unplayable races.

In the long-shot division there was also com-fort, the races that were won or yielded a share of the money being as follows: Sept. 7. Delando (the beanery horse), 20-1, 8-1, second; Dutch Skater, 10-1, won. Sept. 12, Long Beach, 12-1, won. Sept. 15, Cassette, 25-1, but no odds for place, second. Sept. 16, Hanwell, 25-1, 10-1, ond. Sept. 22, Armpahoe, 20-1, won: Long Beach, 10-1, 2-1, second. Sept. 23, Volley, 10-1, 2-1, second: Brandywine, 10-1, 6-1, second. Sept. 26, Midgely, 15-1, won. Sept. 30, Simonian, 25-1, 8-1, second. Oct. 1, Trillette, 20-1, 8-1, second; Rondo, 4-1 (no place price), second. Oct. 3, Tom Cromwell, 6-1, 8-5, ascond? Storm King, 8-1, wou, and Bragaione, 20-1, 7-1, second. These were the longest priced horses at post cids that actually scored, and there were also several opening as the Cankest outsiders that ran into the money.

the low average struck by first favorites, the tystem of playing the first and second favorites to win \$20 for the first bet wherever the staking of \$70 or less would do this, and after the first loss simply playing to get even, came out with flying colors. The first thing to notice is that flying colors. The first thing to notice is that no fewer than twenty-eight, races out of the 103 were unplayable by reason of the short odds, and this, it must be remembered, scriously affected the amount to be won, and possibly the capital required, as the wins in these off races are not counted for, but against the system. Therefore, the winning of \$708 with a maximum aspital of \$620 required during the entire meeting speaks for itself. The Roundsman-Souffle dead heat came at the second bet of a sories. The bet was on Roundsman and Ben Eder, and, although it closed the series, the dead heat having to be counted as a win, it was at a loss of having to be counted as a win, it was at a loss of \$130 instead of winning out clear. The wisdom of declaring these divided dead heat bets as wins in a system was shown again in this case by the series of unplayable and losing races shat muscliately followed. It will also be no-

nie. The details of the system at this are as follows:

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| Rox. 11-5, \$40 |
| Hi Daddy, 6-5, \$40 |
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| Confession, 5-1, \$15 |
| L. R., *-1, \$15 |
| Reenan, 4-5 |
| Princess Flavia, 7-5 |
| Sunny Stope, 2-1 |
| Prying Dutchman, 1-1, \$40 |
| Dutch Stater, 3-1, \$20 |
| Zanono, 9-5, \$25 |
| Clemnorgie, 18-5, \$20 |
| McKee, 7-5 |
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Controctor, 7-2, \$20
Damien, 9-11, \$50
Jon Cromwell, 19-5, \$23
Challenger, 0-5, \$40
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The profits net amount won of this system are due to the winnings of the second favorites, which brought up the average of the gains on the two favorites to about 46 per cent. for the meeting. It is worthy of note that it is not often in a three-horse race that the bookmakers slip up as they did in the third race of the clossing day. To be able to back Cleophus and Challenger at 66 to 70 or 48 to 70 with the weights Cleophus, 112 pounds; Challenger, 115, and Voter, 115, was a clich, for on Sept. 26, with the same conditions of track, the same distance, and the same track, and Voter carrying 113 pounds, Challenger 113, and Cleophus 115, the Keene ho se, tiring fast, squeezed home in front by a head. Voter has never yet given the Dwyer filly weight. This, however, is handicapping. Notwithstanding the erratic percentage and

in front by a head. Voter has never yet given the Dwyer filly weight. This, however, is handicapping.

Although the individual daily paper tipster retains his merited cognomen of "Dennis," the system of taking the choices of five or seven papers and then averaging them and playing the horse most generally evelected for a first bet of \$25, a second bet of \$50, and then to get even, and returning after each win to \$25, and not playing worse odds than 3-5, has agait proved successful, having won \$825 on a maximum capital required of \$580 on Sept. 17. The results have been fairly even, five consecutive losses occurring on Sept. 7 and 8, four on Sept. 17, four on Sept. 23, and six on Oct. 3. There were three races where the choices were at unpayable odds. The good days were Sept. 23 and 24, when seven choices in nine races won at 0-5, 3-1, 9-5, 7-5, 1-1, 8-5, and 8-5, and 8-5, and 8-5, and 5-5, 1-1, 1-10, 8-5, and 1-1. There were two races where it was necessary to play two horses, and a win was the result in each case. This happened on Sept. 15, when Kennel, 6-1, Clymena, 4-1, and Brandewine, 6-1, had to be played, and the punter risked \$30 and won \$40. This is a system which the mortest racing tyro can take up and investigate from the table, which shows the running at the meeting as follows: Bept. 80- 80 75. Vinita, 8-5, 7-10.... \$59 \$80 886

file Friar, 3-5, \$200

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Net amount won...... \$925 A glance at the two columns shows how evenly, after the first two days, the winning choices have alternated with the lossers.

The system of playing the favorite to run second in every race for which 1—2 or better could be obtained for the place, scaling the bets by the full integral System, has also won money on the limited scale it was outlined to do at the commencement. Its working were as follows at the recent meeting. The winnings amounted to \$5.75, and required a capital of \$1,595:

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25 25..MeHee, 7-5, 1-2..... \$12 won,

25 25 Sathanas 13-5, 4-5 Rondo, 11-20 85 Ross O., 9-5, 8-5 \$51

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Sept. 26- 25 25... Hi Daddy, 7-5, 8-5... 15 won

25 25. Maxine Eillot, 2-1, \$20 won

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not Lose Bandit of the Bonthwest. Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 2.-The death of Bill Howard in the old Territorial prison of Arizona at Yuma hast week has revived many tales of the days when the Tombstone mines were in full blast. Howard spent the last sixteen years of his life in prison, and he was the last of three of the most reckless. daredevil, and murderous men known in Arl-zona eighteen or nineteen years ago. A large part of the cenuine bad men of the South-west were of half-breed Mexican and Indian origin, and their desperate and bloodthirsty character was developed by the evil influences of border civilization. Very few of these tough men knew how to read or write, and nearly all of them had been kicked and cuffed in their boyhood about frontier camps by des peradoes and outcasts from society in the Eastern States. So they grew up to care for no one and indifferent to any fate. But the gang with which Bill Howard trained came from the Atlantic coast States thirty-five years ago, when they were lads, and they were moderate-

ly intelligent, In 1878 and 1879, when the Tombstone mines were furnishing thousands of dollars in bullion every day, and the whole Southwest was wild with excitement, every desperado, cowboy, miner, and frontiersman in the Territories who could get to Tombstone went there. All the bad men from Texas, western

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WILLIMANTIC, Oct. 10.- A told burging

robbed the country store and Post Office of Alfred Offen at Mansfield Centre, among 1 5

blue hills of Tolland county, northeast or ; the other night, and the incident was not ed with such ludicrous circumstances that the country folks of all northeastern Co cut have not done laughing about it 3-1. robber was in the store nearly an hour and a half, and about most of the time eleven gase lant Mansfield men, armed with shorgants, revolvers, and pitchforks, who had gathered stealthily about the building in the daraners, watched him leisurely plandering the place, The burglar was discovered by a gas young rural spark, who, having attended a dame of the home of a farmer in North Windham, a on his way home along the dusky country road at 2 o'clock in the morning. Whistling a dancing tune, his hands in his pockets, he had trudged into the village of Manshed Centre, noticing indifferently that every house along the single long street was shouled in pitchy darkness-all save one. When he reached the middle of the hamlet he espe-d with idle interest at first, but a little late: with growing concern and curiosity, a dim light glimmering through the window panes of Oden's store. The young man halted in the road for several moments, watching the feebs illumination of the window, but it did not move, and reasoning that most likely the light